

## Message Text

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TAGS: PFOR, PORG, EWWT, IMCO, UK  
SUBJECT: TERRITORIAL APPLICATION OF COLREGS CONVENTION

REF: STATE 65813

1. REFTEL REQUESTED EXPLANATION WHY UK HAD ONLY EXTENDED 1972 COLREGS CONVENTION TO HONG KONG AND NOT TO OTHER OF ITS TERRITORIES AS IT HAD IN OTHER CASES, E.G. 1969 CIVIL LIABILITY CONVENTION. UK DEPARTMENT OF TRADE STATES THAT IT IS PRESENTLY CONSULTING THE DEPENDENT TERRITORIES TO SOLICIT THEIR VIEWS ON HAVING THE 1972 COLREGS APPLY TO THEM AND WILL MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT EXTENDING APPLICATION OF THE CONVENTION FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF THE DEPENDENT TERRITORIES REPLIES.

2. THE NOTE TO IMCO REQUESTED IN REFTEL WAS DELIVERED ON MARCH 30 AND A REPLY DATED APRIL 15 HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND IS BEING FORWARDED BY AIRGRAM. IMCO IS CIRCULATING THE US NOTE TO OTHER MEMBER STATES AS A COLREG CIRCULAR.

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